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## EMPLOYERS LIABILITY

The law recently enacted by Congress, and signed by the President, corrects, in so far as it applies to employees of railroads engaged in interstate commerce, an abuse which had grown intolerable. Starting from the old common law theory, based on practice when man had comparatively few servants, that where an accident occurs to an employee by carelessness of a fellow servant engaged with him in the performance of a piece of work, the master was not liable, as proper care and watchfulness on the part of the injured one could or should have avoided the accident, modern conditions had broadened it until it was well established law, that engineer, conductor and brakeman were fellow servants although they might be in some of the lengthy freight trains half a mile apart, and the negligence of one became the responsibility of all. In some cases, it had been held to apply to switchmen, and other employees of the company, so that an engineer for instance, could not recover damages resulting from an accident caused by an open or misplaced switch.

Most of the injustice wrought by this law will be corrected by the recent statute. While in words it, applies to interstate traffic, in effect, it is quite general. There are very few trains, even though their terminals are both within a single state, that are not engaged in interstate commerce. Some articles of freight or some passenger is destined out of the state or has been received from another state.

When it is remembered that more than 3,600 railroad employees were killed and more than 67,000 injured in accidents on the rail in 1904, the last year for which full reports are available, it can be seen how important this statute becomes. In the past, this vast army of killed and injured has been compelled to accept as damages such sum as the corporation may grant. Usually this has been the payment of sick or funeral expenses, and the continuance in employment or the granting of nominal indemnity in case of death. Such being the case, the corporations have been negligent or careless about using safety appliances. As a matter of fact, it required an Act of Congress and several years' time to force the adoption of the automatic brake and coupler. Now, with a full responsibility there will be more attention paid to and money expended on these appliances. Many improvements can and will be made. Travel will be made safer and more pleasant and a share, at least of the injuries and deaths prevented.

But the greatest result of this legislation will probably be from the enactment by the several states of similar legislation, applying not only to railroads but to other employes.

## SUNDAY TRAIN DISCUSSION

As THE TRANSCRIPT feared, the active part taken by some preachers in the movement to stop the running of trains on Sunday on the Delaware Railroad has brought out too much personal abuse and the raising of too many questions that are better forgotten as well as forgiven. It is too frequently the case, as a very prominent preacher of this conference once said, that after a Methodist preacher (and the same applies to other denominations in a lesser degree because of less frequent changes) has gone to a new charge, that he does not immediately cease all active work in his old charge, but by visits and correspondence attempts to aid his successor. Such attempts invariably make sore spots which years do not heal. This seems to have been the case with some of the prominent in the present propaganda, and the scars are now being exhibited to a more or less interested public. Then, again, the Corkran-Baker episode is being re-hashed, due to the fact that some of all of the preachers were engaged, either for or against the two convicted preachers in this unfortunate affair. All of which does not advance

the welfare of the church nor work to the glory of God.

THE TRANSCRIPT has been, and still is in favor of the Sunday trains, because we believe that by their means many people are afforded a chance not otherwise attainable of visiting old folks, relations and friends and of spending a sensible, quiet day in the country away from the heat, noise and confusion of the city. It is probable, too, that they afford some people the chance to go fishing or on other unnecessary journeys. But then some people would possibly be doing worse. Still, we are willing to allow every other citizen to have his opinion as we have ours. Our difference is not with one but with all who think unlike ourselves. We concede their right to differ and claim the same right. If a considerable majority are opposed to Sunday trains, the traffic will soon show it. But if the Sunday trains pay, the Railroad Company will probably continue the service. They certainly cannot be profitable in the face of public opinion.

## MAY INCREASE TAX RATE

Levy Court will meet on Monday morning next and increase the county tax rate. At present the rate is 30 cents on the \$100 of assessment, but that it will be increased is understood, as the members of the court have learned during the past year, so they say, that the affairs of the county cannot be run on a 50 cent tax rate. It is supposed to increase the rate either to 55 or 60 cents, but not over the latter figure.

## Had Surplus to Work On

When the present Levy Court took hold of the affairs of the county there was a surplus of about \$63,000 to work on. This has all been used up and the Court now has only about \$10,000 bank balance. "This shows," said one of the body-to-day, "that the county cannot be run on a 50 cent tax rate, eliminating the good roads question entirely. Not only will it be necessary to increase the rate to avoid a deficit next year, but if the people are anxious for good roads they must pay for them, as it requires money to build them. The fixed expenses of the county has also increased considerably in the last four years. For instance, the expense of running the county work house, during the past four years was \$10,000 greater than the four years previous. Other incidences of increased expenses is the increase of from 28 to 40 cents a day for each boy at the Ferris School and the outlay of 25 cents a day for the maintenance of each girl committed from this county to the Industrial School in Wilmington."

## PROFITABLE STRAWBERRY SEASON

The strawberry season in Delaware ended on Saturday, when but few strawberries and the first raspberries, the fruit which takes their place, appeared in the markets. This year's strawberry season has ended. The fruit was considerably diminished in quantity by the drought, but in quality it held up to the average of any previous year and the prices broke all records. Consequently the berry growers will be more numerous next year than ever. Old patches will be rehabilitated, new acreage will be laid off and this year's acreage will be pruned and freshened by special treatment. Re-irrigation in the freight service now at the doors of the Delaware growers has greatly increased the returns from the small fruits. The fruit can be delivered at long distances and will arrive in fine marketable shape. The estimate of the lower Delaware output places the gross receipts from the strawberry business at \$800,000, although this does not include the berries shipped from the smaller stations or by steamboats from the bay shore towns.

## GOLD DISCOVERED NEAR DOVER

While Delaware is indirectly producing gold through her wheat and splendid peaches, now rapidly ripening, gold in reality, the hard precious yellow metal is also being produced. Gold was discovered a few days ago on the farm of Dr. Thomas O. Clements in West Dover on the eastern border of Maryland. A section of the sandy loam was seen to fairly glitter with it and some was taken from the hillside and sent to assayers in Scranton, Pa. The report of the assay just reached Dr. Clements and it is found that there is gold to the value of \$2.00 per ton. Excavations will be begun immediately to ascertain whether a sufficient quantity to guarantee \$4 per ton, a trifle above the expense of handling and smelting, can be discovered.

## REFUSES TO PAY LEGISLATORS

State Treasurer Thomas N. Rawlins, acting under advice obtained from the Attorney-General of the state, formally refused to honor the resolutions passed by the recent Legislature in extraordinary session for their pay. They will, therefore, go unpaid until the next Legislature sits or unless by a test case brought by some one member against the state treasurer it is decided to allow the courts to adjudicate the matter. The Legislators voted themselves thirteen days pay whereas they were actually doing but five days, and the state authorities who are responsible to bondholders, have decided that such an action was unconstitutional.

## Trotters of Promise to be Trained

William Russell Allen proprietor of the Allen farm at Pittsfield, Mass., has forwarded four of his best horses to Dr. J. C. McCoy, of Kirkwood, to be put in condition for the coming campaign. They are Kalker, by Kremlin, 7:04; which last year as a three-year-old, trotted a trial mile in 2:12 1/2, half in 1:04, and the final quarter in 31 1/2 seconds; Kassona, 2:28, by Kavalla, 2:07 with a trial trot of 2:13, half in 1:04, and last quarter in 31 1/2 seconds; Karina, by the same sire, which paced last season a trial in 2:10, half in 1:03 and quarter in 28 1/2 seconds, and the four-year-old Kodian by Kremlin which as a yearling went an eighth in 1 1/2 seconds.

## CHANGES AT DELAWARE COLLEGE

At their annual meeting held Tuesday trustees of Delaware College, Dr. Arthur T. Neale was elected as director of agricultural experimental station of the college and Prof. J. L. Hills was chosen as his successor and also given the chair of professor of agriculture.

Professor Hills is at present director of the experimental station and professor of agriculture at the University of Vermont and has made an excellent record at that institution. His salary at Delaware College will be \$3,000 per year.

Dr. Neale who has been in charge of the experimental station since 1888 has been tendered the chair of a new department created by the trustees at a salary of \$2,000 a year.

The committee representing the Grangers of Delaware submitted a petition to the trustees requesting the retention of Dr. Neale as head of the experimental station and also his election to the chair of agriculture at a joint salary of \$3,000.

The vote on the proposition to remove Dr. Neale from the directorate was 21 to 5 the latter being Daniel W. Corbit of Odessa; General William H. Stevens of Seaford; Charles S. Cornwell, of Woodside and Samuel H. Messick, of Bridgeville.

The trustees then established the department of animal industry and agronomy, of which Dr. Neale was elected head. The department of agronomy is that having supervision of growing crops including the grains, and is distinguished from horticulture or the garden crops.

Dr. W. Owen Sypher was elected to the chair of English history and philosophy. He is a graduate of Delaware College of the class of 1886 and succeeds Dr. Edgar Dawson, who goes to Princeton to become professor in history, politics and economics. Dr. Sypher is well qualified for the chair to which he was elected. After graduating he spent two years in teaching, and then studied history, German and philosophy at the University of Pennsylvania, where he received the degree of Master of Science. This was followed by two years' teaching at the University of Michigan, and in 1903 he entered Harvard. Recently he was elected assistant professor in English literature at the University of Wisconsin but has secured his release from there in order to join the faculty of Delaware College.

The committee representing the Grangers was indignant at the removal of Dr. Neale and declare they will take some action on the matter. Dr. Neale has not as yet signified his intention as to whether he will accept the chair tendered him.

The Grangers presented a lengthy petition to the trustees setting forth what they desired as a recognition of the farming interests. In the petition the work of the board on behalf of the farmers was highly praised. The committee of Grangers was composed of Hervey Walker, Master of State Grange; Charles Barker, representing the Grange of Sussex county; William M. Dickson, Joseph Carter, representing the Grange of Kent county; Arnold Naudain, Jr., William P. Peach, representing the Grange of New Castle county.

## CANAL SURVEY IN SIGHT

After nearly a century's discussion and agitation the project of connecting the Chesapeake Bay and Delaware River by a deep water canal bids fair to receive serious recognition by Congress. Representative H. R. Burton, of Delaware, through an arrangement with the Speaker of the House, had a joint resolution introduced by Representative Mudd, authorizing the President to appoint a commission to examine and report upon a route for the construction of this important waterway. The resolution, which was reported last January from the Committee on Railways and Canals, prescribes that the commission shall consist of an officer of the Engineer corps, an officer of the navy and one person from civil life. It is to examine and appraise the value of the works and franchises of the Chesapeake and Delaware canal with reference to the desirability of the purchase of the canal by the United States and the construction over the route of the canal of an open waterway with a depth and capacity sufficient to accommodate the largest vessel afloat at mean low water.

The commission is also to examine, by aid of surveys already made, the route known as the Sassafras route and one of the central route, connecting the bays, known as the Queenstown, the Centreville, the Wye and Choptank routes. Of these latter it is to select for examination the one which upon preliminary inquiry appears most suitable.

For the expense of the commission \$10,000 is appropriated by the resolution.

## PORT PENN

John Denny, of Middletown, was in town on Wednesday.

William Cretlow spent part of last week in Wilmington.

John Fortner, of Middletown, was a visitor here on Sunday.

Miss Viola Bendler is spending some time with relatives in Middletown.

Miss Bucher Elliott is making an extended visit to relatives in Wyoming.

Mrs. Isaac Wilkins, of Wilmington, made a short visit to relatives here last week.

Messrs. John Zachris and Isaac W. Conrad made a trip to Ekron on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Higgins are entertaining their daughter, Mrs. Oliver Higgins, of Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd R. Cleaver, and Mrs. Helmi, of Delaware City, dined with friends here on Monday.

Misses Florence and Lillie McFarland, Lillie Crowe and Annie Long, of Philadelphia, were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. William E. Dyer on Sunday.

Mr. Howard I. Hance died at the home of friends in Pennsylvania, last Saturday. He came here about 18 years ago from Bucks County, bought a home and has resided here ever since. His wife died during the summer of 1905. Funeral services were held at the home of a brother in Philadelphia on Tuesday.

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## CHESAPEAKE CITY

Earl Kincaide, of Philadelphia, is visiting in town.

Miss Carrie Wright was a Baltimore visitor last week.

Joseph Kees, of Philadelphia, visited his mother, Mrs. A. T. Egge, Sunday.

Misses Nan Hayes and Katharine MacDonald spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Misses Evans and Laura Laws are spending a month with relatives in Ewell, Md.

Mrs. M. E. Willis spent a few days last week with Mrs. Lee Elliot, of Newark, Del.

Mrs. Julia M. Brady is visiting her brother, Mr. George Mariner, in Philadelphia.

Mrs. J. M. Ogden, of Philadelphia, is visiting her brother, F. T. McIntyre, near town.

Mrs. Eva K. Ponsel and daughter, Miss Katie Ponsel are visiting relatives in Baltimore.

H. W. Caldwell spent several days of the past week with his mother, at Liberty Grove, Md.

Miss Nannie H. Wright has returned from Mt. St. Agnes College for the summer vacation.

Mrs. Lizzie Barwick is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. E. H. Biddle, near Earleville.

We learn with regret of the resignation of Miss Mary K. Gooding from the Chesapeake City High School.

Mrs. C. H. Boulsen has returned to Philadelphia after a lengthy visit with her sister, Mrs. E. H. Banks.

Mrs. Stella Warren and daughter, Lillian, of Ekron, are spending sometime with Mrs. Benjamin Carpenter.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Woolley entertained Mr. and Mrs. Julian H. Biddle and son, of San Jose, Cal., a few days this week.

Mrs. J. E. Dameral and son have returned to the home in Mount Clair, N. J., after a two weeks' visit with Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Perry.

The Children's Day exercises of the M. E. Church were postponed until next Sunday evening on account of the unfavorable weather.

The annual bazaar of the Sunshine Society, will be held June 28th, in the store property owned by J. M. Reed, known as Jew's Corner. Ice cream, cake, lunch-baskets and fancy articles will be for sale. This is a worthy cause and deserves the support of the community.

## CECILTON

Fred Hoover is spending the season at Betterton.

Miss Frances Griffith was the guest of Miss Lillie Pierce over Sunday.

Presiding Elder Koons was entertained by Rev. W. F. Dayson on Saturday.

William H. Morris, of Wilmington, spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother in town.

Messrs. Walter and John Clayton are spending sometime with their grandfather near Chesapeake City.

Mrs. Albert Watts and son Edgar have been spending a few days of the past week with relatives in Townsend.

Messrs. W. A. Jones and William Smith have been spending a few days of the past week in Baltimore.

Mr. J. E. Ferguson, of Chestertown, has been spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. M. E. Ferguson.

Arthur Freeman, of Philadelphia, has been spending several days with his parents, William Freeman and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Padley, of Camden, N. J., are spending sometime with his parents, Frank Padley and wife.

William Freeman, wife and little son spent Sunday last with his mother, Mrs. M. E. Freeman, of Chesapeake City.

Children's Day exercises were postponed last Sunday on account of the storm and will be held to-morrow evening at Johnstown.

Centreville Record Sold

A contract for the sale of the Centreville Record was signed Thursday afternoon of last week by Col. W. Scott Roberts and his wife, the purchaser being Mr. James T. Bright, a member of Centreville Bar. The sale includes the plant, building and good will, and the consideration is \$10,250. Mr. Bright will assume control July 1st.

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ODESSA		PHILA	
Monday	5:00 p.m.	Friday	12:30 p.m.
Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	11:30 p.m.	Sunday	5:00 p.m.
Thursday	11:30 p.m.	Monday	12:30 p.m.
Friday	5:00 p.m.	Tuesday	12:30 p.m.
Saturday	11:30 p.m.	Wednesday	12:30 p.m.
Sunday	11:30 p.m.	Thursday	12:30 p.m.
Monday	5:00 p.m.	Friday	12:30 p.m.
Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	11:30 p.m.	Sunday	5:00 p.m.
Thursday	11:30 p.m.	Monday	12:30 p.m.
Friday	5:00 p.m.	Tuesday	12:30 p.m.
Saturday	11:30 p.m.	Wednesday	12:30 p.m.
Sunday	11:30 p.m.	Thursday	12:30 p.m.

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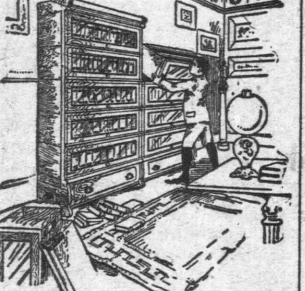
Session of 1906-7 Opens September 11, 1906.

Entrance Examinations will be held Friday and Saturday, June 22 and 23 at the College and other places throughout the State at which candidates may indicate their desire to appear. Examination for admission also on September 11 and 12 at the college. Classes organized September 13. Certificates from accredited schools accepted in lieu of examinations. Instruction in Arts, Science, Agriculture and Engineering.

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Mails Close as Follows:  
Going North—2:30 a. m., 10:45 a. m., 2:30 p. m., 4:30 p. m. and 9 p. m.  
Going South—8:00 a. m., 4:30 p. m., and 9 p. m.  
For Weekdays—7:00 a. m., 1:30 p. m., 11:30 a. m., 4:30 p. m., 9 p. m.  
For Warrenton, Cecilton and Barville 9:30 a. m. and 4:45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., JUNE 28, 1906.

### Local News

New line of wall paper, 24, 34 and 5 cents a piece. Mrs. G. W. Peterson.  
FOR SALE—Oak extension table, with two leaves. Apply to THIS OFFICE.  
FOR SALE—Poultry and pigeon house 12x50 feet at cost of materials. Apply to THIS OFFICE.

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Mrs. G. W. Peterson.  
After June 1st the Library hours will be as follows: Tuesday, 7 to 8:30; Saturdays, 3 to 5 and 7 to 8:30.

A large variety of cakes and crackers, both loose and in packages at BANNING'S.

42 piece china tea sets at \$3.25. A full line of dishes, agateware and 5 and 10c goods. Mrs. G. W. Peterson.

It is estimated that the yield of wheat on the late Capt. Andrew Woodall's farm in Cecil and Kent counties, Maryland, will be 200,000 bushels this year.

House formerly occupied by John W. Jolls, deceased, for Rent. Possession March 25th, 1906. Apply to Joseph C. Jolls or John A. Jolls.

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Bananas 12c and 15c a dozen at MONTGOMERY'S.

Miss Hattie Cullen entertained a few friends on Wednesday evening in honor of her sister, Miss Lillian Cullen, of Philadelphia.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post-office for the week ending June 7th: Mrs. Fannie Jones, Mrs. Lizzie Slinnie, J. E. H. Hinson, Corbit Johnson, C. H. Jones.

WANTED.—A thoroughly experienced saleslady; one capable of taking full charge of Dry Goods and notion store. Most come well recommended. W. T. DAY ALINGER, Townsend, Del.

EGGS FOR THE FARMER AND FANCY.—Standard bred Rose Comb Rhode Island Buds, the best and most profitable bird for all purposes, excellent layers of brown eggs, and unsurpassed as market fowls. Write or call for prices. C. P. COCHRAN, Middletown, Del.

If you are looking for the best general purpose chicken in this country buy a few settings of my Columbian Wyandotte eggs. I have the best strain of Columbian in America and will only offer a few settings for sale. JOHN A. JOLLS, Middletown, Del.

Miss Ida V. Howell entertained the graduating class and their friends on Monday evening, at the High School. Owing to the very stormy weather, many were not able to be present. On Tuesday evening the class gave a dance in the Assembly room of the school.

NOTICE.—I have voluntarily resigned my position with Wm. Davidson, 1218 French St., Wilmington, Del., and am now affiliated with the Standard Granite Co., 700-702 Delaware Ave., Wilmington, Del., and shall be pleased to serve my friends as faithfully as in the past. C. FRANK DAVIDSON.

An exchange tells of a newspaper reporter who interviewed thirty successful business men and found that all of them when boys had been governed strictly and frequently thrashed. He also interviewed thirty loafers and learned that 27 of them had been mamma's "darlings," and the other three had been thrashed by their grandmothers.

Monday was in its full sense "blue Monday" to our farmers who anticipated cutting wheat but who were prevented so doing by the storm which threatened the worst consequences. Some of the large crops will not be in the shock this week, but the majority of our farmers will complete their harvesting the first of the week.

Many persons here will be sorry to hear of the death of I. W. Cleaver Parker, at his home in Florida. His son, Joseph Cleaver Parker, died in the winter, aged 14 years, and a younger son died about two years since. Mr. Parker's wife is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cleaver who have lived near Port Penn for fifty years, but who removed to Delaware City in March. Mr. Parker will make her home with her parents in the future.

The following pupils of Taylor's Bridge School have attained the average of 90 per cent. or better for the month of June: Lillian Higgins, Minnie Rothwell, Mamie McClain, Florence David, Elida David, Nora David, Edith Forker, Maggie Reener, Nettie Reener, Edgar Deakney, Almira Bell, Lewis McClain, Lizzie Deakney, Albert Forker, Ethel McClain, Mabel McClain, Myrtle Bennett.

While Middletown was drenched with a heavy downpour of rain Thursday evening shortly before 8 o'clock, New Castle and the surrounding county was pelted with hail. The lightning, accompanying the storm killed a man at Kirkwood. The man killed by a bolt of fire was Matthew Harris colored, and his death furnished one of the vagaries of lightning. Harris and a white man were standing together at Kirkwood when the bolt descended. It struck Harris and killed him dead to the ground. The white man beside him was knocked from his feet by the force of the stroke, but he was unhurt. Dr. DeWitt of St. Georges, was summoned to try to revive Harris, but found that life was extinct.

Pneumatic Tire Runabout and Phaeton Cart with rubber tires, also good leather buggy top for sale cheap. All in good order and sold only for want of use. J. C. PARKER & SON CO.

Mr. James Stubbles, a resident of Townsend, and Miss Mary Gray, of near St. Georges, were quietly married at the M. E. Parsonage in Townsend, by Rev. F. C. McSorley Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Stubbles will reside in Townsend.

The early closing movement, during July and August, at 6 o'clock in the evening, is being agitated in our town, with what success we are unable to learn, except in the case of Mr. J. B. Messick, who advertises, as is his custom those two months to close at this hour.

The following resolution were passed at a general meeting of the Delaware Automobile Association, held on June 4th, 1906, at Wilmington: "Resolved, That this association condemn without reserve the action of those automobilists who frightened the mules of the colored man, Robert Jones, recently at Middletown, Del., for their conduct in failing to stop and render such assistance as was necessary to those injured in the accident.

At 4 o'clock Friday morning summer began—as that is according to the almanac. At that hour the sun was at its highest point north and the day was the longest of the year. But to the weather man the calculations of the astronomer as to the changes of the seasons indicate nothing. To the statement that summer begins on June 22d he is inclined to say, "Put, tut, tut!" Concerning the seasons there is a wide gulf between the stargazer and the man who reads the thermometer and the barometer.

But few of our readers, we imagine, ever give a thought to the value of this paper to the community. The home paper has an influence for good that is hard to overestimate. In many cases, it moulds public opinion; it does well its part in protecting and preserving the government. It takes the place of a standing army in guarding the liberties of the people; it teaches your children morality, truth and power, it brings many rich blessings to the homes it visits with but little financial reward for its labors, and in too many instances not only. The home paper is the mirror in which those at a distance see us. It is the plain duty of all who are interested in our town to take personal interest in the town's paper and assist in every way possible in making it a true representative of our intelligent and hospitable people as well as our enterprising and developing little city.

Send the paper to your friends, bring us the news and do your duty by your home paper and it will meet you more than half way. When you help your home paper you help your town and indirectly help yourself, for we are all equally interested in our town and community.

### PLEASANT SURPRISE

Dr. and Mrs. Charles A. Ritchie visited by their friends.

Some of the many friends of Dr. and Mrs. Charles A. Ritchie gave them a pleasant surprise last Sunday evening, it being the tenth anniversary of their marriage. It turned out differently from most surprises, this one really being a complete surprise. A number of useful gifts in tin and agateware were presented to Dr. and Mrs. Ritchie and a clothes basket containing the gifts was carried to the parlor where the doctor and his wife were requested to open them.

Refreshments of ice cream, cake and salted peanuts were served, the "wedding cake" being decorated with ten red candles.

Among those present were: Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Lightbourne, Dr. and Mrs. George Burton Pearson, Dr. and Mrs. J. Allen Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. W. Reese Parker, Mr. and Mrs. William Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd, Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson B. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Martin B. Burris, Mrs. J. Gaylord Bragdon, Mrs. George L. Cochran, Mrs. Henry Schroeder, Mrs. Edna Clark, Mr. J. Grey Taylor, Mrs. George Janvier, Misses Blanche Wright, Viola McWhorter, Mary Holten, Fannie Shepherd, Bessie Anderson, Lena Pleasanton, Bernice Metten, Hester Jones, Elizabeth Shepherd, Dr. Edward M. Vaughan, William G. Lockwood and Taylor Barnett.

### SPECIAL JURIES SELECTED

The following special jury was struck Thursday afternoon in the office of Prothonotary Speakman for the case of Doughton against the Wilmington City Railway Company which is set for Monday next in County Court, Anthony Higgins representing the plaintiff, and Walter H. Hayes the defendant:

Wilmington—Thomas J. Day, Joseph Davidson, Stephen Downey, Elmer Bye, Brandywine—George M. Casey, Christiansburg—George W. Pusey, John Peoples.

Mill Creek—James M. Shakespeare, W. Frank Taylor, Elmer Hoopes. White Clay Creek—James Crossan, William J. Stroud, David Appleby, Elmer M. Thompson.

Pencader—David McMullen. Red Lion—Charles W. Pencoast. St. Georges—Boyd R. Cleaver, Dallas B. Lora, William McMullen, Jr.

Appoquinimink—Alonso S. Whitlock, Frederick G. Knotts, Arnold S. Naudain. Blackbird—Charles Beith, George W. Mattiford.

The following special jury was struck for the case of Bryon against the Wilmington City Railway Company, also set for Monday, Charles B. Evans and J. Harvey White being for the plaintiff and Walter H. Hayes for the defendant:

Wilmington—Benjamin F. Shakespeare, Millard E. Davis, William H. Merris, Thomas Holt. Brandywine—Cyrus E. Mousley, Christiansburg—Horace L. Dilworth, Edward Woodward, John Peoples.

Mill Creek—Kennard S. Chandler. White Clay Creek—David Appleby, Rogers R. Lovett, Daniel Thompson, New Castle—Arthur M. Wise, John G. King, Robert C. Gordon.

Pencader—William K. Brooks, David McMullen. Red Lion—Thomas C. Reeves, Edward L. Clark. St. Georges—John E. Ginn.

Appoquinimink—Daniel C. Maloney, Elias N. Moore. Blackbird—Harry Woodkeeper, Abram Staats.

### BRACKENMAN DRISCOLL KILLED

As the result of being run over by a freight engine near the P. B. and W. roundhouse Wednesday afternoon Harry S. Driscoll, a well-known brickman, of Wilmington died Tuesday morning at the Delaware Hospital. Driscoll had just returned from Philadelphia on his train and was standing on the pilot of the engine going to the roundhouse when he was jolted off. He fell directly in front of the locomotive, was caught under the wheels, carried along for several yards and when dropped to one side his right leg was cut off below the knee. The shock and loss of blood killed him. He is 23 years old and lived at No. 2313 Washington street. The unfortunate young man was a former resident of Middletown, his father James Driscoll residing here several years ago.

The Transcript, \$1.00 per year.

### PERSONALITIES

Mrs. G. W. Peterson was in Baltimore on Wednesday, buying millinery goods for the summer.

Mr. James A. LeeFever spent Sunday with relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. E. G. Clark is spending a few weeks at Atlantic City.

Capt. W. A. Lee, of Absecon, N. J., is the guest of his son, Mr. George F. Lee.

Mrs. M. L. Griffith and Miss Josephine Cochran spent part of this week in Newark.

Mrs. Lettie Price, of Philadelphia, is the guest of her mother on South Broad street.

Miss Lillian D. Cullen, of Philadelphia, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. W. P. Cullen.

Mrs. Theodore V. Leonhart and Mrs. John A. Jolls were Wilmington visitors on Thursday.

Mrs. Joseph A. Suydam was a Dover visitor several days this week.

Mrs. Harry A. Dempsey, of Newport, and sister, Miss Louise Eichenhofer, of Camden, N. J., were guests of relatives here part of this week.

Mrs. Ernest Solway and little son, of Dover, are guests of Mrs. John Solway.

Miss Mary Campbell, of Philadelphia, will be the guest of Miss Elizabeth J. Hopkins next week.

Mr. Reece Darlington was in Wilmington last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Emerson were the guests of relatives in Wilmington last Sunday.

Mr. James Lightbourne is in Oxford, Md., visiting relatives.

Dr. W. W. Messick, of Smyrna, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Messick, Wednesday.

Dr. Walter W. Ellis, of Delaware City, spent Tuesday with Dr. E. M. Vaughan.

Master Alfred Connelley is sojourning at Rehoboth.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ford, of Dover, have been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. B. Messick.

Mr. Grant Rowbotham, of Philadelphia, was a guest at the home of Mr. Samuel Price last Sunday.

Mrs. A. M. McKee and daughter, Miss Allie, are sojourning at their cottage at Rehoboth.

Mr. David Lesken and sister, Miss Jennie, of Wilmington, were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. William Walters and little Miss Ella Brownhead, of Frankford, Pa., were over Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. Thomas Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jones and Mrs. William Sirman attended the commencement exercises at Delaware College, Newark, on Wednesday.

Mrs. Liston Townsend and daughter Helen, of Philadelphia, are guests of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Ginn. Mr. Townsend and son Albert spent Sunday here.

Clerk of the Orphans' Court Joseph C. Jolls, has been confined to his home on North Broad street for several days, but we are glad to state is improving at this writing.

Rev. Alexander Allison, of Wilmington, who addressed the graduating class of the Middletown High School on Friday evening, was entertained while in town by Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Kumpel.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Taylor and two sons, Warner and Harvey spent Sunday in Havre de Grace, Md.

### WARWICK

Miss Bessie R. Merritt is convalescent. Jesse Vinyard entertained S. F. King on Sunday.

Miss Willie Aikin is at her home for the summer.

Miss Bessie W. Gunkle was in Sasfras on Wednesday last.

Miss Jennie Bishop spent Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. R. B. Merritt, Jr.

There will be Mass at St. Francis Xavier R. C. Church to-morrow morning.

Mrs. W. Ray Jamison, of Wilmington, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Price.

Meas. Samuel Wilson and John H. Price were Wilmington visitors Tuesday.

Senior Endeavor prayer meeting to-morrow evening at 7 o'clock. The public is invited.

Mrs. Louisa Crawford has been the guest of Mrs. John R. H. Price during the past week.

Mrs. Wilson Merritt accompanied by Mrs. John Lattamores were Middletown visitors on Tuesday.

Mrs. R. Delbert Aikin returned home on Tuesday after a few days' stay at Delaware City and Philadelphia, Pa.

There will be preaching at the M. P. Church on to-morrow morning at 10:30 o'clock Rev. Frank S. Cain pastor.

Washington Camp, No. 8, P. O. S. of A. elected their officers on Tuesday evening last, to serve for the ensuing term.

Mrs. Irene L. Vinyard has returned home after a short visit with her daughter, Mrs. U. P. Ginn, near Odessa, Del.

A few men and boys released one of R. B. Merritt's mares from an open shop well, which she slipped in Monday evening while grazing.

Cherries are plentiful this season, the first large and almost, if not entirely, perfect. They are retailing in town at 4 cents per quart.

Mrs. W. T. Vinyard accompanied by Mrs. Jacob Hayes and Mrs. Amanda Gillespie, of the Quaker City, spent Sunday with Mr. Elwin T. Manlove, near Middletown.

"June bug," the sorrel horse owned by Mr. J. H. M. Garner is in the hands of Mr. Fletcher Johnson, at Townsend. Mr. Garner claims that he will be among the steppers at Dickerson's Driving Park, Townsend, July 4th.

The heavy downpour of rain on Sunday and Monday has backed the farmer considerable with his wheat cutting, and being that the ground is so soft it will require more power to pull the binders which are a load in themselves.

Mrs. Biddle Hossenger, of near Chester-town, purchased of Mr. J. R. H. Price on Saturday last a three-year-old mare, which Mr. Price has prized very highly, she being good size and a fine disposition. The prize paid is confidential but we are reliably informed that it ran up in the hundreds.

### ST. GEORGES

Mr. John Moore spent Sunday in Wilmington.

Miss Genn, of Cholora, is spending a few days here.

Dr. DeWitt spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Wilmington.

Mrs. Emmerson McWhorter spent Thursday in Philadelphia.

Howard Gray, of Wilmington, visited his family here on Sunday.

H. V. Buckson spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Wilmington.

Miss Lucie Hall and Clement Cannon spent Sunday in Middletown.

Miss Mabel Jones was the guest of James Batten and family last week.

Mrs. Maud Swain is visiting her sister, Mrs. Alfred Hughes, of Wilmington.

Miss Amanda Moore is spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reynolds.

Harry V. Buckson and Harry Gray spent part of this week at Townsend.

James H. S. Gam is entertaining his mother-in-law, Mrs. Kahn, of Odessa.

Mrs. Frank Peterson and three children are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Carrow.

Mr. and Mrs. George Nelson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shoule.

Mrs. Howard Gray and daughter, Miss Violet, were Wilmington visitors on Tuesday.

Mrs. Benjamin Truxx is visiting her daughter, Mr. and Walter Lynch, near Iron Hill.

Miss Helen Stewart, of Philadelphia, is visiting her cousin, Miss Anna and Albert Stewart.

Mrs. E. H. Collins, of Maryland, D. C., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Wolf on Tuesday.

Miss Lizzie Simmons spent part of last week with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Simmons.

Mrs. Eliza Jones has returned from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Harold Batten, of Bear Station.

Misses Mabel Jones and Lucie Hill and Mr. Clement Cannon were in Delaware City on Wednesday.

Lieutenant who recently returned from the Philippines, is visiting Dr. and Mrs. Milligan and family.

Mrs. Benjamin Simmons and Miss Lizzie Simmons are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Levi Murry, near Newark.

Children's Day Services will be held in the M. E. Church, to-morrow evening, June 24th. All are invited.

Mrs. Walter Lynch and son Evan, of Iron Hill, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Truxx.

Master Emmerson and Miss Mildred McWhorter were entertained by Miss Blanche Barnett one day this week.

### ODESSA

Miss Edwilda Webb is visiting relatives Deakerville.

Walter Keen, of Wilmington, spent Monday in town.

Miss Anna Mowrer, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Miss Buelah Cleaver.

Mrs. W. R. Spicer entertained her friend, Mrs. O. J. Neal, of Chester, this week.

Messrs. W. W. Rose and John Heldmyer, Jr., were Wilmington visitors last Sunday.

Miss Lola Harris has returned home after spending a few days with friends near Blackbird.

Mr. Edward B. Herriek, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his aunt, Miss Lucy Appleton.

Miss Edna Muehlberger has returned home after spending a week with relatives in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Harry Stephenson had as her guest this week Miss Georgia Rouse, of Greensboro, Md.

Mrs. J. A. Neal, of Syracuse, N. Y., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. L. Hallett, at the Presbyterian Manse.

Mrs. William B. Foster, of Wilmington, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. George L. Townsend, part of last week.

The friends of Mrs. W. A. Rhodes of this town are very sorry to hear of her illness in Townsend where she is visiting.

Mrs. Persley Sprance, of Smyrna, and Miss A. P. Sprance, of Philadelphia, are visiting at the home of Mrs. J. C. Corbit.

Miss Harriet B. George entertained at her home near town on last Sunday Miss Daisy Hoover and Mr. Bert Manlove, of Cecilton, Miss Cora Buckson and Mr. Howard Buckson, Wilmington and Mr. George Heldmyer of this town.

### TOWNSEND

D. E. Jones is spending sometime in Westgrove, Pa.

Nathaniel Conaway, of Seaford, was in town Saturday.

Miss Katherine Ratledge is the guest of friends in Greenwood.

Miss Louise Ratledge visited relatives in Middletown last week.

B. W. Hutchison visited friends in Tolbot Co., Md., last week.

Mr. Padley, of Wilmington, spent several days in town recently.

Miss Ethel Lee is visiting her sister, Mrs. John Morris, near Smyrna.

Mrs. John Stradley has returned home after quite a sojourn in Baltimore.

Mrs. Roberts, of Odessa, has been spending sometime with friends in town.

Mrs. G. M. D. Hart has returned home after spending sometime in Still Pond, Md.

Mrs. Harold Whitelouse has returned after spending several days in Wilmington.

Lee Watts, of Annapolis, Md., is spending sometime with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Watts.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wiggins and daughter, Miss Daisy, were the guests of friends in Clayton Sunday.

Carlton McSorley, a student of Maryland Agricultural College has returned home for his summer vacation.

Mrs. James Stables and Mollie Gray were quietly married at the M. E. Parsonage, Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

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